

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **MULDOON et al.**)
Application No.: **10/789,433**) Art Unit: **1645**
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For: **COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE**) Confirmation No.: **5696**
SPECIFIC DETECTION OF MAMMALIAN)
MUSCLE PROTEINS)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed May 19, 2009, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims based upon the following amendments and remarks.

The above-identified applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 19, 2009, now set to expire November 19, 2009. Applicants authorize herewith the charge of \$555.00 to cover the fee for a three-month extension of time. No additional fees are believed due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fee and credit any refund to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 9 of this paper.

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